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In re Application of:		
Paul J. RUTHVEN et al.) Group Art Unit: 1731
Serial No.: 10/036,770) Examiner: E. Hug
Filed: December 21, 2001		RECEIVED SEP 2.5 2003
For:	AN APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DEGRADING A WEB IN THE MACHINE DIRECTION WHILE PRESERVING CROSS-MACHINE DIRECTION STRENGTH	SEP 2.5 200% TC 176%
Commissioner for Patents		

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

RESPONSE

In response to the June 19, 2003, Office Action, please amend the application as indicated and consider the following remarks.

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